

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.C.R. No. 47
S.D. 1

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2015
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Transportation, to which was referred
S.C.R. No. 47 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION TO PROMOTE AWARENESS AND SAFETY OF BLIND AND
VISUALLY IMPAIRED PEDESTRIANS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to urge the
Department of Transportation to promote driver awareness of blind
and visually impaired pedestrians, including placing awareness
posters in public facilities, purchasing radio and television
advertisements, and installing street signs in areas of high
pedestrian use by blind and visually impaired individuals.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the Department of Transportation, State Council on
Developmental Disabilities, and Disability and Communication
Access Board.

Your Committee finds that blind and visually impaired
individuals must take additional precautions when crossing
streets, particularly due to their inability to see vehicles.
Blind and visually impaired individuals often rely on their sense
of hearing to determine when it is safe to cross a street.
Electric and hybrid vehicles often make very little noise when
driving at low speeds and blind and visually impaired individuals
have complained that it is difficult to determine if an electric
or hybrid vehicle nearby prevents the safe crossing of a street.

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Your Committee has amended this measure on the recommendation of the State Council on Developmental Disabilities by:

- (1) Amending language to read "individuals who are blind and visually impaired" rather than "blind or visually impaired individuals"; and
- (2) Adding the Chair of the State Council on Developmental Disabilities and Executive Director of the Disability and Communications Access Board to the persons to receive a certified copy; and
- (3) Amending its title in accordance with its amended purpose.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Transportation that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 47, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as S.C.R. No. 47, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Transportation,

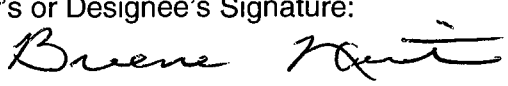


CLARENCE K. NISHIHARA, Chair



The Senate
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SCR47	TRA	3/31/15
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____		
The Recommendation is:		
<input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311	<input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310
<input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313		
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)
Nay	Excused	
NISHIHARA, Clarence K. (C)	✓	
HARIMOTO, Breene (VC)	✓	
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.	✓	
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	✓	
ESPERO, Will	✓	
INOUE, Lorraine R.	✓	
KIDANI, Michelle N.	✓	
KOUCHI, Ronald D.		✓
SLOM, Sam		✓
TOTAL	7	2
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted		
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 		
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